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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: OVIP (TITO JOSIP BROZ) YO US  
SUBJ: YUGOSLAV VIEWS ON DEMONSTRATIONS DURING TITO VISIT

1. TODAY CHARGE WAS CALLED IN BY FSFA UNDERSECRETARY RADISLAV LONCAR, WHO SAID HE WISHED TO BRING UP CERTAIN "OBJECTIONS AND THOUGHTS" RELATING TO THE DEMONSTRATIONS PLANNED IN THE UNITED STATES DURING THE TITO VISIT, WHILE EMPHASIZING THAT USG

ACTIONS SO FAR HAVE INDICATED HIGH RESPECT FOR PRESIDENT TITO AND A DESIRE TO IMPROVE OUR RELATIONS, NEVERTHELESS THE GOY "CANNOT UNDERSTAND AND CAN HARDLY ACCEPT" THE FACT THAT CERTAIN

ORGANIZATIONS HAVE BEEN GRANTED PERMISSION TO DEMONSTRATE AGAINST THE TITO VISIT. YUGOSLAV CONCERN IS BASED ON TWO FACTORS: FIRST, THE POSSIBLE DANGER OF AN ATTACK ON THE PRESIDENT AND SECOND, THE EFFECT THAT DEMONSTRATIONS MIGHT HAVE ON TITO HIMSELF. LONCAR POINTED OUT THAT TITO IS PROUD, AGED AND VERY SENSITIVE AND THAT THE UNFAVORABLE ATMOSPHERE CREATED BY THE DEMONSTRATIONS MIGHT VERY WELL UPSET HIM AND JEOPARDIZE THE POLITICAL SUCCESS OF THE VISIT.

2. IN REPLY CHARGE POINTED OUT THAT THE USG IS COMMITTED TO TITO'S SECURITY AND HOPES TO MAKE THE VISIT SAFE, SUCCESSFUL  
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AND WITHOUT BLEMISH. ON THE OTHER HAND THERE ARE CONSTRAINTS ON THE ACTIONS WE CAN TAKE TO PREVENT OR LIMIT DEMONSTRATIONS.

3. LONCAR THEN RETURNED TO THE THEME OF POSSIBLE EFFECTS ON TITO PERSONALLY, HARKING BACK TO 1961 WHEN HE WAS VERY UPSET BY DEMONSTRATIONS DURING A VISIT TO THE UNITED NATIONS. LONCAR ALSO POINTED OUT THAT ON TITO'S LAST VISIT, NIXON HAD

MADE A PUBLIC APPEAL TO WELCOME TITO, AND THAT GOY FELT THAT

THIS WAS A USEFUL GESTURE. HE ALSO SUGGESTED THAT THE USG  
"COULD MOVE THE DEMONSTRATORS" TO SOME OUT OF THE WAY PLACE AS  
"IS DONE IN EVERY OTHER COUNTRY". HE THEN HANDED OVER A PRO  
MEMORIA, THE TEXT OF WHICH WE ARE SENDING BY SEPTTEL.  
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